

VERMONT LOCAL NEWS

NOTES AND GOSSIP OF DOINGS IN
FREE PRESS'S BROAD FIELD

The Winoski Valley, Villages Up to
Along Otter Creek and by the
of White River Covered by
Special Reporters.

ADDISON COUNTY.

VERGENNES.

D. D. Middlebrook, a respected resident
of Ferrisburgh, died Sunday afternoon in
his 94th year. A wife, one son and a
daughter survive.

At the special meeting held Monday
evening, asking for \$2000 in addition to the
\$10,000 voted at a previous meeting for the
building of the new city hall, it was car-
ried unanimously. Work will be com-
menced at once.

The funeral of David D. Middlebrook,
who died Sunday evening, was held at his
late residence yesterday morning. Rev. Thomas Rogers of the
Methodist church officiated. Mr. Middle-
brook was born in Ferrisburgh in June,
1802, and resided in this town for the
greater part of his life. He was a mem-
ber of the Legislature in 1857-58. He
was a man of good morals, strict integ-
rity, and honest in all his dealings.

Charles Gough of New Canaan has
purchased 113 acres of the Charles Merrill
farm.

The entertainment given by the Sodality
of St. Paul's church Tuesday evening
was a grand success. The proceeds
amounted to \$64.

The As You Like It club met with Mrs.
J. H. Fish Tuesday evening. The
Harvey Ketchum went to Whiting
yesterday afternoon to attend the funeral
of his brother, C. W. Ketchum, who died
here Tuesday evening.

W. D. Taylor, who has been visiting his
brother at Windsor for several weeks,
returned Tuesday evening.

MIDDLEBURY.

A tribe of Red Men is to start in op-
eration here about May 1. The necessary
number of charter members has been se-
lected and all the necessary preliminary
arrangements have been made, but
has been thought best to defer the for-
mal institution of the tribe until the time
has come when the necessary number of
members in kindred lodges is hereabout.

The new order will start off with 20 charter
members.

Stage Driver John C. Pierce succeeded
in getting through from Bridport Friday
night. He had a hard time of it and was
obliged to drive a good deal of the way
through the fields. Thursday he got as
far as the iron bridge, but was obliged to
turn back, but could get no further
and had to turn around there and go
back.

Alfred Maher will sell off his live stock
and farming tools at his place in Cornwall
two miles west of this village, at auction
on Tuesday, March 21. He intends to lease
the farm.

Charles H. Delong shipped two
cows of hay to the Boston market Friday
and went down to the city himself Fri-
day morning. The hay was sold at
\$2.50 per ton, but the outside markets
are pretty well choked up with
offerings for a number of weeks back.

D. W. Watson, who has been in
Cornwall, on the edge of Whiting,
is the Edgar Piper place up the creek,
which was recently occupied by Darwin E.
Edgar.

A young man named Clark, who lives
in Case street, fell from a loaded team
while he was driving Monday morning.
The horse and driver were unhurt, but
the horse was killed and the driver is
in bad shape.

Two car loads of cows and calves were
sent from here to the Boston market
Monday morning by Marcus C. Brown,
of Union, A. Williams and G. H. Sprague
Co. This was the first shipment from
here since the flood of two weeks ago.

There was a large number of country
people in town to market Monday
morning. Butter ran from 16 to
18 cents per pound, and the offerings of
cows and calves were very large.

The Blair brothers from the east part
of the State sold five or six tons of
auction here Monday forenoon. Wil-
liam H. Cobb officiated as auctioneer.

The town of Middlebury is being
flooded by the snow, and it is
very badly distributed and the coun-
try roads are in a wretched condition
in places. The snow is very deep
and most of the cross roads are badly
flooded. In the eastern part of Rippon
there is reported to be five or six feet
of snow. In the western part of the
town it is almost impassable.

The remains of Mrs. Susan Washburne,
widow of the late Ephraim H. Washburne,
were taken to Burlington in West-
bridge Saturday in the 8th year of her age,
and were brought here for interment Tuesday
forenoon, as the remains of her husband
many years been a resident of Middle-
bury and the interment was in the West-
bridge cemetery.

The first make of maple sugar for the
season is reported, and the small amount
made from the run of sap is said to have
sold for 10 to 12 cents per pound.

The school directors of the town of Mid-
dlebury met and organized Monday evening.
Wills N. Cady was chosen chair-
man, G. E. Mattie was clerk, and Milo K.
Cory, superintendent of schools. The place
of Prof. T. B. Boyce, now coun-
cillor of teachers.

The High school ball team has been
organized. The outlook is bright for a
good team. E. W. Varney is manager. Miss
J. E. Ellis died suddenly Saturday
morning at his residence on East street
while sitting in his chair. Conrade Ellis
died in feeble health a year past,
and his death was unexpected, and a great
loss to his family and friends. He was
member of Libanus lodge, P. and A. M.
and Dundon post, G. A. R., and was a
member of Co. F, 11th Vermont regiment,
and a highly respected citizen. The fu-
neral was held Monday and the inter-
ment in Huntington.

Hosea N. Williams, a prominent farmer
and much respected citizen, died Sunday
morning from the effects of a paralytic
stroke. He was a brother of Judge H. N.

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